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Taxpayer A

IRA B

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Amount 1

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Dear:

In a letter dated June 8, 2011, you requested a waiver of the 60-day rollover requirement contained in section 408(d)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code ("Code")

The following facts and representations have been submitted under penalty of perjury in support of the ruling requested:

Taxpayer A represents that he withdrew Amount 1 from IRA B, an individual retirement account described in section 408 of the Code, on March 28, 2011 [the distribution check is dated March 26, 2011]. Taxpayer A also represents that he withdrew the funds to consolidate his IRA accounts and to obtain a higher rate of return. Taxpayer A asserts that his failure to accomplish a rollover of Amount 1 within the 60-day rollover period prescribed by section 408(d)(3) of the Code was due to his entry of the wrong date [the date of a distribution from another IRA of taxpayer A] on his calendar. Taxpayer A also asserts that he still has IRA B's distribution check.

Based on the above facts and representations, you request a ruling that the Internal Revenue Service waive the 60-day rollover requirement contained in section 408(d)(3) of the Code with respect to the distribution of Amount 1.

Section 408(d)(1) of the Code provides that, except as otherwise provided in section 408(d) of the Code, any amount paid or distributed out of an IRA shall be included in

gross income by the payee or distributee, as the case may be, in the manner provided under section 72 of the Code.

Section 408(d)(3) of the Code provides the rules applicable to IRA rollovers.

Section 408(d)(3)(A) of the Code provides that section 408(d)(1) of the Code does not apply to any amount paid or distributed out of an IRA to the individual for whose benefit the IRA is maintained if -

- (i) the entire amount received (including money and any other property) is paid into an IRA for the benefit of such individual not later than the 60th day after the day on which the individual receives the payment or distribution; or
- (ii) the entire amount received (including money and any other property) is paid into an eligible retirement plan (other than an IRA) for the benefit of such individual not later than the 60th day after the date on which the payment or distribution is received, except that the maximum amount which may be paid into such plan may not exceed the portion of the amount received which is includible in gross income (determined without regard to section 408(d)(3) of the Code).

Section 408(d)(3)(B) of the Code provides that section 408(d)(3) of the Code does not apply to any amount described in section 408(d)(3)(A)(i) of the Code received by an individual from an IRA if at any time during the 1-year period ending on the day of such receipt such individual received any other amount described in section 408(d)(3)(A)(i) of the Code from an IRA which was not includible in gross income because of the application of section 408(d)(3) of the Code.

Section 408(d)(3)(D) of the Code provides a similar 60-day rollover period for partial rollovers.

Section 408(d)(3)(I) of the Code provides that the Secretary may waive the 60-day requirement under sections 408(d)(3)(A) and 408(d)(3)(D) of the Code where the failure to waive such requirement would be against equity or good conscience, including casualty, disaster, or other events beyond the reasonable control of the individual subject to such requirement. Only distributions that occurred after December 31, 2001, are eligible for the waiver under section 408(d)(3)(I) of the Code.

Rev. Proc. 2003-16, 2003-4 I.R.B. 359 (January 27, 2003) provides that in determining whether to grant a waiver of the 60-day rollover requirement pursuant to section 408(d)(3)(I) of the Code, the Service will consider all relevant facts and circumstances, including: (1) errors committed by a financial institution; (2) inability to complete a rollover due to death, disability, hospitalization, incarceration, restrictions imposed by a foreign country or postal error; (3) the use of the amount distributed (for example, in the case of payment by check, whether the check was cashed); and (4) the time elapsed since the distribution occurred.

You have not presented any evidence to the Service as to how any of the factors outlined in Rev. Proc. 2003-16 affected your ability to timely roll over Amount 1 to an IRA.

Therefore, pursuant to section 408(d)(3)(I) of the Code, the Service hereby declines to waive the 60-day rollover requirement with respect to Amount 1. Amount 1 is not eligible to be treated as a rollover contribution within the meaning of section 408(d)(3) and must be included in Taxpayer A's gross income for the 2011 tax year.

No opinion is expressed as to the tax treatment of the transaction described herein under the provisions of any other section of either the Code or regulations that may be applicable thereto.

This letter is directed only to the taxpayer who requested it. Section 6110(k)(3) of the Code provides that it may not be used or cited as precedent.

If you wish to inquire about this ruling, please contact at

Sincerely yours,

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